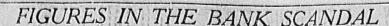
prahip is the question of politics. For politics is simply the question of getting and keeping the right kind of men to manage and operate the municipal undertakings, or to supervise, regulate and bargain with the Private undertakings. The kinds of business that we are dealing with arclessentially monopolies performing a public service, and are compelled to make use of the streets, which are public property. If their owners are private companies they are compelled to get their franchises and all privileges of doing business, and all terms and conditions of service from the mubicipal authorities. And in carrying out their contract with the municipality they are dealing continually with municipal officials. Consequently, it is absurd to assume that private ownership is non-political. It is just and keep honest or business-like municipal officials who will drive good bargains with private companies on behalf of the public and then see that the bargains are lived up to, as it is to get similar officials to operate a municipal official who do not exappe politically leads to private ownership—we only get a different kind of practical politics."

Referring to unfavorable conditions politically under municipal operation and citing an investigation of the Wheeling Gas-Works, P. etessor Com-

"The secretary of the Wheeling gas-trustess, quoted by my colleague as testifying to the political rottenness of the municipal gas-works, is the same man who testified to the political rottenness of the private gas, electrici-ty and street car companies of that locality, Instead of relying on his statements, I interviewed a large num-ber of officials, politicians, business men, employes and others, and check-od up his statements respecting both men, employes and others, and checkod up his statements respecting both
the gas-works and the corporations.
This shows that while the gas-works
are in politics, the public-service corporations are also in politics. The
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the motormen and conductors of the
street car companies are given leave
of absence on pay to work in the primaries of both the Republican and Democratic parties. Even the officers of
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among all the European diplomatists.
None of them, however, believes that

MOVEMENT NOW! ETANUTROZNU

TOKIO, July 7.—Confirmation of a report that a powerful battleships in youndron would be sent to the Pacific has been generally received with calminess, though there is some surprise in certain quarters well versed in diplomatic niccties.

It is said that the sudden change of program in the case of the Japanese training squadron last January, when it was first intended that its voyage should include San Francisco and other Pacific coast cities, was evidently in deference to the wishes of the Washington government made known to the Tokio authorities in an indirect, but tunnistable manner. The change of route was decided on only a couple of days before the squadron sailed.

It was thought then Japan acted wisely in avoiding a course which might have proved injurieus when a strong anti-Japanese feeling was prevailing in San Francisco.

It was officially sisted that if the disnate of the battleships to the Pacific is not directed towards Japan it is felt here that

AS SYMBOLLICALLY COMPARED WITH JAPAN'S

AMERICA'S FIGHTING STRENGTH AFLOAT

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY, Richmond's weather was clear and ot. Thermometer at midnight, 77. CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

	(At 8 P. M., Eastern Time.)			
t	Place,	Ther.	H. T.	Weather.
o m o	Asheville, N. C	. 83	90	Clear
	Augusta	. 92	98	Clear
4	LA illanta. Ga	. 90	96	P. cloudy
-40	Buffalo, N. Y	. 73	78	Clear
	Chicago, Ill	. 82	84	Clear
8	Cincinnati, O	. 68	76	Rain
e	Davenport	. 84	86	Clear
3	Detroit, Mich	. 78	82	Clear
	Hatteras, N. C	. 78	84	Clear
	Jacksonville	86	92	Clear
100	Kansas City		92	Clear
	Memphis		93	Clear
	New Orleans	. 88	94	Cloudy
I	Oklahoma City	. 84	92	Clear
1	Pittsburg, Pa		82	Clear
	Raleigh	. 88	96	Clear
	Savannah	.\88	06	Clear
	Norfolk, Va	. 88	94	Clear
S	Tampa, Fla	. 82	00	Clear
	Washington		90	P. cloudy
	Wilmington		96	Clear
	Yellowstone		76	Cloudy
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WIFE OF RUNYAN IS THE REAL WIDOW OF READY TO FORGIVE

Wants to See Husband in Ontario Woman Has Papers to Spite of the Other Woman.

PROSTRATED SHAME NOW THE WIFE OF ANOTHER

Police Unable to Find Part of Wedded After English Lord De-Money Stolen by Bank serted Her-Has Not Claimed Teller. Share of Estate.

BERESFORD FOUND

Prove Marriage Twenty Years Ago.

Passengers and Farmers Make a Simul-fancous Discovery.

HAZLETON, PA., July 7.—Passengers on board the Wilkesbarre and Hazleton car that arrived here at 1:20 this afterneon saw a big, black bear just below Drums.

The farmers of Drums and St. John's abandoned their farm work this afterneon and went out hunting for Br'er Bruin with shotguns and rifles.

States. If true, this may explain a few things that were puzzling before. Is Russian diplomacy secretly at work in this business?—Springfield Republican.

OBITUARY.

Funeral of Capiain Wilkinson.

The funeral of Capiain William C. Wilkinson took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from Park Place Methodist Church, the several Masonic organizations of which Capiain Wilkinson was a member taking part. Rev. M. S. Colonna, pastor of Park Place Church, conducted the services, and Right Worshipful J. W. Eggleston, deputy grand master of Masons in Virginia, conducted the Masonic exercises at the grave.

Capiain Wilkinson was at the time of his death tiler of the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar of Virginia, and grand tiler of the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar of Virginia, and grand tiler of the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar of Virginia, and grand tiler of the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar of Virginia, and grand tiler of the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar of Virginia, a. F. and A. M. The interment was made in Hollywood.

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ROANOKE, VA., July 7.—William C. Lesile, a well-known citizen, died today in his room/in one of the hotels of the city, aged forty-six years. He was a native of Roanoke county, and leaves a father and mother and four brothers. His wife and only child died several years ago.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
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SEE A BEAR FROM A TRAIN.

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minister to Japan is brother-in-law of the proprietor of that leading Wash-ington paper which has been cultivat-ing the absurd impression that Japan intends to make war on the United States. If true, this may explain a few things that were puzzling before. Is Russian diplomacy secretly at work in this business?—Springfield Republi-can.

CROSS.—In loving remembrance of Mrs. FANNIE GLINN CROSS, who died July 8, 1906, one year ago to-day.

"But why should we weep, when the weary one rosts
In the bosom of Jesus supreme,
In the mansion of glory prepared for the blest?
For death is only a dream."

DEATHS.

THOMASSON.—Died Sunday, July 7, 1907, at 6:45 A. M. MARY C., wife of W. C. Thomasson.

Funeral will take place TUIOSDAY, July 8, 1907, at 4:30 P. M., from her residence, No. 313 East Clay Street, Richmond, Wa. No. 100wers.

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